

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS paragraph [0002] with the following rewritten paragraph:

The present invention relates to the following co-pending commonly owned U.S. patent applications: ~~"Gaming Device Having Apparatus and Method for Producing an Award Through Award Elimination or Replacement," filed on October 11, 2000, Serial No. 09/686,283, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-139; "Gaming Device Having Award Exchange Bonus Round And Method For Revealing Award Exchange Possibilities," Serial No. 09/689,510, Attorney Docket, No. 0112300-140; "Gaming Device Having Graduating Award Exchange Sequence With A Tease Consolation Sequence And An Initial Qualifying Sequence," Serial No. 09/680,601, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-142; "Gaming Device Having Value Selection Bonus," filed on October 6, 2000, Serial No. 09/684,605, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-156; and "Gaming Device Having Award Modification Options For Player Selectable Award Digits," Serial No. 09/933,843, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-898; "Gaming Device Having A Bonus Scheme With Alternative Ending Sequences," Serial No. 10/160,687, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-587; "Gaming Device Having Player-Selectable Award Digits And Award Modification Options," Serial No. 10/660,281, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-1529; "Gaming Device Having A Game With A Moving Digit Generated Outcome," Serial No. 11/222,914, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-2589; "Gaming Device Having An Award Exchange Bonus Round And Method For Revealing Award Exchange Possibilities," Serial No. 10/982,518, Attorney Docket No. 112300-2650; and "Gaming Device Having Apparatus And Method For Producing An Award Through Award Elimination or Replacement,"~~

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Serial No. 11/270,421, Attorney Docket No. 112300-3142; "Gaming Device Having  
Award Modification Options For Player Selectable Award Digits," Serial No. 11/626,632,  
Attorney Docket No. 0112300-3678.